

NEWS RELEASE

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BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING TO MEET

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet in regular session on Wednesday, August 27, 2003 in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. with an informal briefing session and the formal agenda will follow at 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Docket No. 2003-008, Cause No. M/045/022 - In the Matter of the Petition of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for an Order to Forfeit the Reclamation Surety Posted by Gulf Insurance Company, and to Enter Upon and Perform Reclamation at Magnesium Corporation of America ("MagCorp, Inc.") Mining Operations at the Knolls Solar Evaporation Ponds, Tooele County, Utah.

*The division is asking for an order for bond release so it may begin reclamation.*

2. Docket No. 2003-009, Cause No. 173-20 - In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Westport Oil and Gas Company, L.P. and EOG Resources, Inc. for an Order Modifying the Well Spacing Orders in Cause Nos. 173-1, 173-2, 173-9-S, 173-13, 173-15 and 173-16 to Provide for the Drilling of Additional Wells up to a Total of Eight Wells for Production of Gas and Associated Hydrocarbons from the Wasatch-Mesaverde Formation in the N1/2 of Section 35 of Township 8 South, Range 20 East, SLM, and also Providing for Development and Production of Gas and Associated Hydrocarbons from the Wasatch-Mesaverde Formation and Transitional Gas Zones Down to and Including the Base of the Mancos B Sand in the Above Described and Certain Other Lands Within the Ouray Field Area, Uintah County, Utah.

*The petitioner is seeking permission to change a spacing order to add wells.*

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